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In re Application of :
Peter V. Boesen :
Application No. 10/022,022 :
Filed: December 13, 2001 :
For: VOICE COMMUNICATION DEVICE
WITH FOREIGN LANGUAGE
TRANSLATION

**DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL**

This is a decision on the Petition To Make Special under M.P.E.P. § 708.02 (mistyped as 708.03 in the petition), VIII: accelerated examination which is treated as M.P.E.P. § 708.02, XI: Invention for Countering Terrorism, filed February 05, 2002.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d), and in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section XI, for an invention which contributes to the countering of terrorism, must include the petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(I). The petition must also be accompanied by a statement explaining how the invention contributes to countering terrorism.

The types of technology for countering terrorism could include systems for detecting/identifying explosives, aircraft sensors/security systems, and vehicular barricades/disabling systems. The mere fact that a device could be used in the field of terrorism does not in itself qualify for special status. The translating device of the present invention is not considered the same type as those listed above.

Accordingly, the petition is **DENIED**.

It is noted that petitioner could file a petition under MPEP 708.02 VIII (accelerated examination) if special status were still desired.

Petitioner is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this decision to request reconsideration and supplement the original petition as appropriate.

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The application file will be forwarded to the central files to await action on the merits in due course..

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